To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2000 without my signature.

This bill would permit a city or county, where construction of housing units exceeded their fair share of the regional housing need in the prior planning period, to credit those units against the jurisdiction's fair share for the next planning period. While the goal of rewarding cities and counties that exceed their fair share is laudable, this bill would negatively impact the housing industry by reducing the amount of land available for residential development and could result in more regulatory barriers to housing.

Additionally, this bill would require on-going appropriations from the General Fund in order for the Department of Housing and Community Development to comply with the law.

For these reasons, I am returning this bill without my signature.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger